Board of Dental Examiners, the Comprehensive Health Planning Agency, the Commission on Physical Fitness, the Board of Medical Examiners for the State of Maryland, the Commission on Medical Discipline of Maryland, IIthe State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners, 11 the Anatomy Board of Maryland, the Maryland Board of Pharmacy, the State Board of Examiners of Nurses, the State Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers of Maryland, the Board of Examiners of Optometry for the State of Maryland, the Board of Osteopathic Examiners for the State of Maryland, the Board of Podiatry Examiners for the State of Maryland, the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, the Advisory Board on Hospital Licensing, the Advisory Council on Hospital Construction, the State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners, the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists, the Radiation Control Advisory Board, the Air Quality Control Advisory Council, THE BOARD OF SANITARIAN REGISTRATION and such other departments, agencies, commissions, boards, councils or units as may hereafter by law be deemed to be part of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. The Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene shall have such authority and powers over the departments and other units herein enumerated as are or shall be from time to time specifically granted by law. All authority and powers not so granted to the Secretary are reserved to the departments or other units free of the Secretary's control.

SECTION [[2]] 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1973.

Approved May 21, 1973.

## CHAPTER 421

(Senate Bill 634)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sections 3-7, 27-2(a), and 27-2(a-1) of Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, (1971 Replacement Volume and 1972 Supplement), title "Election Code," subtitles "Registration of Voters - General Provisions" and "Absentee Voting," to provide for absentee ballot application deadlines for certain voters, to provide for qualified voters confined in or restricted to institutions to register or re-register by casting his absentee ballot and providing the procedure, conditions and limitations for making application for ballot.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENE? AT ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Sections 3-7, 27-2(a), and 27-2(a-1) of Article 33 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, (1971 Replacement Volume and 1972 Supplement), title "Election Code," subtitles "Registration of Voters - General Provisions" and "Absentee Voting," be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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(a) Any qualified voter whose physical disability confines him to a hospital or causes him to be confined to bed and permanently prevents him from being present to register or reregister at the office of any board or with any board of registry, shall be allowed to register or reregister by casting his absentee ballot.